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Project:	Proposed Goshen Wind Energy Centre
OPA Reference Number:	FIT-FETX82X
Report Title:	Heritage Assessment Addendum (September 4, 2013)
Applicant:	Goshen Wind, Inc.
Location:	Municipalities of Bluewater & South Huron , Huron County, ON
MTCS File No.:	40EA044

Dear Adria Grant:

This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report (the "Report"), which has been submitted to this ministry as required under O. Reg. 359/09, as amended (Renewable Energy Approvals under the *Environmental Protection Act*) (the "REA regulation"). This letter constitutes the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (the "Ministry") comments for the purposes of section 23(3)(a) of the REA regulation regarding the heritage assessment undertaken for the above project.

The Report recommends the following:

3. Recommendations

The Project Location was previously determined to represent a single vernacular rural landscape of primarily mixed-use agricultural activity consistent with the historic division of land and characterized by evolving cash crops, pasture, woodlots, social institutions and two transportation corridors (Golder 2012b:2). The additional land to be impacted by the proposed modifications remains within this single typical rural landscape and cultural heritage value or interest was not identified according to Ontario Regulation 9/06.

The participating properties examined during the original heritage assessment (Golder 2012a), addendum to the original assessment (Golder 2012b) and this current assessment were found to contain a total of 109 built heritage resources: 57 barns and 52 houses. These structures were identified as having cultural heritage value or interest due to their age according to O. Reg. 09/06. No further mitigation is recommended as it was determined that there are no anticipated direct or indirect impacts as a result of the undertaking.

Based on the information contained in the Report, the Ministry is satisfied that the heritage assessment process and reporting are consistent with the applicable heritage assessment requirements established in s. 23 of O. Reg. 359/09. Please note that the Ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of the heritage assessment report (please see Note 1).

This letter does not waive any requirements under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

This letter does not constitute approval of the renewable energy project. Approvals or licences for the project may be required under other statutes and regulations. Please ensure that you obtain all required approvals and/or licences.

Please ensure that the proponent is aware that, if new information or substantive project changes arise after issuance of this letter, the applicant should discuss them with you to determine if any additional assessment or reporting is required. If additional reporting or revisions are required, they should be submitted to the Ministry for review. Upon completion of that review, the Ministry will determine if any revisions to the content of this letter are required.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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